

**AMERITECH OPERATING COMPANIES  
DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION  
TRANSMITTAL NO. 1416  
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**PURPOSE**

Ameritech Operating Companies (Ameritech) is proposing to renew a contract offering, Access Advantage Plus Transport Service, a channelized DS1 service, into Ameritech's Access Service Tariff F.C.C. No. 2.

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION**

Access Advantage Plus (AA+) Transport Service is a dedicated transport service arrangement that integrates an end user's network access connections for multiple voice, data and other special access services onto a single interstate DS1 Service. AA+ Transport Service includes an Ameritech Service between an end user's designated premises and an AA+ Transport Service Node, DS1-to-DS0 multiplexing, and Multiplexer Cross Connections (MCC) as described below.

An AA+ Transport Service Node is a Telephone Company designated hubbing office in which digital DS1-to-DS0 multiplexing is provided through a Digital Cross Connect System (DCS) to derive twenty-four DS0 level channels (64 Kbps per channel). AA+ Transport Service DS0 channels are digitally cross connected at the AA+ Transport Service Node to the DS0 channels derived from other multiplexed high capacity service arrangements via Multiplexer Cross Connects.

AA+ Transport Service Contract Offering is available during the purchase period, which begins October 29, 2004 and ends April 29, 2005. The contract is available for 1, 2, and 3 year terms and each term has its own contract number. At the conclusion of the initial term, the contract will be automatically renewed for successive one-month renewal terms. The customer may terminate prior to the first renewal term by providing the Telephone Company with written notice of the intent to terminate service no later than thirty days before the initial contract term expires.

A minimum of four DS0 channels in an AA+ Transport Service will be connected to any of the Telephone Company's intrastate Access Advantage Plus services and will be maintained during the initial contract term and all renewal terms. These services may include Integrated Voice Access Lines and Integrated Voice Access Trunks associated with Digital Transport Service-Enhanced (DTS-E) Module 4 (Access Advantage Plus), as well as other DTS-E switched services associated with Modules 1, 2, and 3. If the customer has fewer than four DS0 channels cross connected to the above mentioned intrastate Access Advantage Plus services at any time during the initial contract term or a renewal term, the customer will have thirty days from notification by the Telephone Company to connect the additional intrastate Access Advantage Plus services needed to meet the four DS0 channel minimum.